## **Supplementary Methods**

#### Histological analysis

Tumor tissues from both experimental and control mice were fixed overnight in 10% neutralbuffered formalin, embedded in paraffin and sectioned. Hematoxylin/eosin staining (H&E), immunohistochemistry and immunofluorescent stainings were performed as previously described.[1] For CD8 immunohistochemistry staining, tissues were fixed in 4% PFA and embedded for frozen sections. Antibodies used are listed in Table S1. For immunofluorescence, Alexa Fluor (Invitrogen) secondary antibodies were used. Cell nuclei were counterstained with DAPI (Invitrogen). ApopTag Red In Situ Apoptosis Detection Kit (S7165; Millipore) was used for apoptosis detection. Images were taken using Olympus BX-51 microscope with an Olympus DP71 digital camera, and DP Controller software. The immunofluorescent images were acquired using the Olympus IX-71 confocal microscope and FluoView FV500/IX software. Image-Pro Plus 4.5 was used to measure the percentage of positive area of immuhistochemistry staining and to count the number of immunofluorescent staining positive cells per high power field image. At least three images per sample were analyzed for immuhistochemistry staining or immunofluorescent staining. Periodic acid-Schiff (PAS) staining for intracellular mucins, to identify low-grade PanINs, was performed following the manufacturer's instructions (Alcian Blue/PAS Special Stain Kit, Thermo Scientific).

### Flow cytometric analysis and sorting

Single-cell suspensions of fresh spleen, pancreas or tumor tissue were prepared as previously described[2] and incubated with fluorescently conjugated antibodies listed in Table S1. Flow cytometric analysis was performed on a Cyan<sup>TM</sup> ADP analyzer (Beckman Coulter) and data were analyzed with Summit 4.3 software. Cell sorting was performed using a MoFlo Astrio (Beckman Coulter).

# Western blotting

Western blotting was conducted as previously described.[3] Detailed antibody information is included in Table S1.

## **Quantitative RT-PCR**

Total RNA was isolated using RNeasy (Qiagen) and reverse-transcription reactions were conducted using High Capacity cDNA Reverse Transcription kit (Applied Biosystems) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Samples for qRT-PCR were prepared with 1X SYBR Green PCR Master Mix (Applied Biosystems) and various primers (Table S2). RT-PCR was performed as follows: 95°C 10mins, followed by 40 cycles of 95°C 15 secs and 60°C 1min. Cyclophilin A expression was used for normalization.

Table S1: Antibodies

| Antibody                  | Supplier                             | Catalog<br>Number | IHC<br>dilution | IF<br>Dilution | Western-<br>blot<br>Dilution |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| α-Amylase                 | Sigma-Aldrich                        | A8273             | -               | 1:100          | -                            |
| Alpha-smooth muscle actin | Sigma-Aldrich                        | A2547             | 1:1000          | 1:1000         | -                            |
| α-Tubulin                 | Cell Signaling                       | 3973              | -               | -              | 1:1000                       |
| AKT                       | Cell Signaling                       | 4691              | -               | -              | 1:1000                       |
| B-Raf                     | Cell Signaling                       | 9433              | -               | -              | 1:1000                       |
| β-Actin                   | Santa Cruz                           | sc-69879          | -               | -              | 1:1000                       |
| c-Raf                     | Cell Signaling                       | 9422              | -               | -              | 1:1000                       |
| CD3                       | Abcam                                | Ab5690            | -               | 1:75           | -                            |
| CD8                       | eBioscience                          | 14-0083           | -               | 1:75           | -                            |
| CK19 (TromaIII)           | lowa Developmental<br>Hybridoma Bank | -                 | 1:100           | 1:100          | -                            |
| Cleaved Caspase-3         | Cell Signaling                       | 9661              | 1:400           | -              | -                            |
| EGF receptor              | Cell Signaling                       | 4267              | -               | -              | 1:1000                       |

| ERK1/2 (p44/42)               | Cell Signaling      | 4695        | _        | -     | 1:1000 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|-------|--------|
| E-cadherin                    | BD Pharmingen       | 610181      | -        | 1:100 | -      |
| F4/80                         | BMA Biomedicals     | T-2006      | 1:100    | -     | -      |
| GAPDH                         | abcam               | Ab9485      | -        | -     | 1:2500 |
| Ki67                          | Vector Laboratories | VP-RM04     | 1:100    | -     | -      |
| MEK                           | Cell Signaling      | 4694        | -        | -     | 1:1000 |
| PD-L1                         | eBioscience         | 14-5982     | 1:100    | -     | 1:1000 |
| PD-L1                         | Cell Signaling      | 13684       | -        | -     | 1:1000 |
| p-AKT                         | Cell Signaling      | 4060        | -        | -     | 1:2000 |
| p-B-Raf (Ser445)              | Cell Signaling      | 2696        | _        | -     | 1:1000 |
| p-c-Raf (Ser338)              | Cell Signaling      | 9427        | -        | -     | 1:1000 |
| p-EGFR (Tyr1068)              | Cell Signaling      | 3777        | -        | -     | 1:1000 |
| p-ERK1/2 (phospho-<br>p44/42) | Cell Signaling      | 4370        | 1:100    | -     | 1:1000 |
| p-MEK                         | Cell Signaling      | 2338        | -        | -     | 1:2000 |
| p-Stat3                       | Cell Signaling      | 9131        | 1:100    | -     | 1:1000 |
| Stat3                         | Cell Signaling      | 9139        | -        | -     | 1:1000 |
| Flow Cytometry<br>Antibody    | Supplier            | Clone       | Dilution |       |        |
| CD3                           | BD Pharmingen       | 17A2        | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD4                           | BD Pharmingen       | RM4-5       | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD8α                          | BD Pharmingen       | 53-6.7      | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD11b                         | BD Pharmingen       | M1/70       | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD25                          | BD Pharmingen       | PC61        | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD45                          | Invitrogen          | 30-F11      | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD64                          | BD Pharmingen       | X54-5/7.1.1 | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD274 (PD-L1)                 | BD Pharmingen       | MIH5        | 1:50     |       |        |
| CD326 (EpCAM)                 | eBioscience         | G8.8        | 1:50     |       |        |
| F4/80                         | BD Pharmingen       | BM8         | 1:50     |       |        |
| Foxp3                         | BD Pharmingen       | FJK-16s     | 1:50     |       |        |

| Gr-1 (Ly-6G and ly-<br>6C) | BD Pharmingen | RB6-8C5 | 1:50 |  |  |  |
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 Table S2: Primer sequences for quantitative RT-PCR

| Gene          | Forward Primer            | Reverse Primer          |
|---------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mouse         |                           |                         |
| Arg1          | CTCCAAGCCAAAGTCCTTAGAG    | AGGAGCTGTCATTAGGGACATC  |
| Ctla-4        | TTTTGTAGCCCTGCTCACTCT     | CTGAAGGTTGGGTCACCTGTA   |
| Cyclophilin A | TCACAGAATTATTCCAGGATTCATG | TGCCGCCAGTGCCATT        |
| F4/80         | CCCAGCTTCTGCCACCTGCA      | GGAGCCATTCAAGACAAAGCC   |
| Gzmb          | CCACTCTCGACCCTACATGG      | GGCCCCAAAGTGACATTTATT   |
| lfnβ1         | GTGGCTGTGGAGAAGCTGTG      | GAAGGTCCACGGGAAAGACAC   |
| lfnγ          | TCAAGTGGCATAGATGTGGAAGAA  | TGGCTCTGCAGGATTTTCAGT   |
| iNos2         | CCAAGCCCTCACCTACTTCC      | CTCTGAGGGCTGACACAAGG    |
| Mrc1          | CTCTGTTCAGCTATTGGACGC     | CGGAATTTCTGGGATTCAGCTTC |
| Msr1          | GCACAATCTGTGATGATCGCT     | CCCAGCATCTTCTGAATGTGAA  |
| Pdcd1         | ACCCTGGTCATTCACTTGGG      | CATTTGCTCCCTCTGACACTG   |
| Pdcd1lg1      | GCTGAAGTCAATGCCCCATA      | TCCACGGAAATTCTCTGGTTG   |
| Pdcd1lg2      | TTGTCGGTGTGATTGGCTTC      | AAAAGGCAGCACAGTTGC      |
| Prf-1         | AGCACAAGTTCGTGCCAGG       | GCGTCTCTCATTAGGGAGTTTTT |
| Human         |                           |                         |
| Cyclophilin A | CCCACCGTGTTCTTCGACATT     | GGACCCGTATGCTTTAGGATGA  |
| 116           | TGCGTCCGTAGTTTCCTTCT      | GCCTCAGACATCTCCAGTCC    |
| PDCDLG1       | TGGCATTTGCTGAACGCATTT     | TGCAGCCAGGTCTAATTGTTTT  |

| PDCDLG2 | ATTGCAGCTTCACCAGATAGC | AAAGTTGCATTCCAGGGTCAC |
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